

## **Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell, February 27, 1880, with transcript**

Copy of an unsigned typed note, evidently written by Mrs. A. G. Bell stating that ("Alec") Alexander Graham Bell had received a newspaper containing the announcement that the Republic of France had awarded the Volta Prize to him. Original note not located. Typed copy on file in "Dr. Bell's Room" in "Honors, minor." Washington. D. C. February 27, 1880.

Alec got a pleasant surprise yesterday. Some one in England sent him a paper containing the announcement that he had won the Volta Prize of 10,000 francs for the Telephone in France. Alec has been getting letters from the French Consul in New York, telling him of this, but as he thought the letters were merely relating to the French patent, he handed them to Mr. Hubbard, and thus the matter lay till the paper turned up. He intends putting the full amount into his Laboratory and Library.